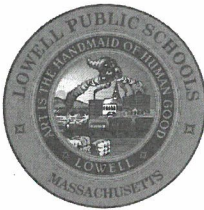


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To: Superintendent of Schools

From: Chief Operating Officer

Date: February 10, 2023

Re: Response to motion related to Installing Lockdown Devices in Classrooms

[Motion by Eileen DelRossi]: Request Superintendent provide the School Committee the feasibility of installing lockdown devices in classrooms in order to decrease overall anxieties of staff and students with increased amounts of shelter in place and lockdowns.

The safety coordinator and facility managers have assessed various safety devices to enhance security and reduce risks. Nightlock has an extensive line of security products to properly address these threats and provide everyone peace of mind to focus on education.

The safety coordinator will request permission to purchase 1200 units for installation this summer. This amount of units ordered will also be sufficient to secure our largest areas, such as auditoriums, gymnasiums, libraries, and cafeterias, while still having enough to secure all classrooms in each elementary and middle school throughout the district. Budgeting information will be presented to the Finance department in March 2023.

Nightlock systems are the only systems that the Lowell Fire department has previously approved.